

**IN THE  
SUPREME COURT OF INDIANA**

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| <b>IN THE MATTER OF</b>        | )                 |
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| <b>APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULE</b>  | )                 |
|                                | ) <b>Case No.</b> |
| <b>FOR ASSIGNMENT OF CASES</b> | )                 |
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| <b>IN PARKE COUNTY</b>         | )                 |

**ORDER APPROVING PARKE COUNTY LOCAL RULE  
FOR ASSIGNMENT OF CASES**

The newly elected judge of the Parke Circuit Court, requests the approval of an amended *Local Rule 7, Special Judge Assignment in Civil Matters* establishing case assignment rules when the regular judge of the Parke Circuit Court must recuse or otherwise withdraw from a case pending before said court. This local rule is proposed pursuant to ongoing conflicts resulting from the presiding judge's prior service with the Hanner Law Firm in Parke County.

Upon examination of the proposed local rule, this Court finds that the adoption of this local rule is appropriate, and accordingly, should be approved. This Court further finds circumstances exist such that in the interests of judicial efficiency, this rule should be approved immediately and excepted from the requirements of Trial Rule 81.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court that the *Local Rule 7, Special Judge Assignment in Civil Matters*, set forth as an attachment to this Order, is now approved, effective January 1, 2005.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Honorable Sam A. Swaim, Parke Circuit Court, and to the Clerk of the Parke Circuit Court.

The Clerk of the Parke Circuit Court is directed to place a copy of this Order in the  
Record of Judgments for the Parke Circuit Court and to post this Order for public examination.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of January, 2005.

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Randall T. Shepard  
Chief Justice of Indiana